

Planning Services

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Keeping lowans healthy means fewer sick days for schoolchildren, more people working productively, reduced risk for diseases and injuries, lower health care costs, and longer, fulfilling lives for everyone. Healthy lowans: Iowa's Health Improvement Plan 2012-2016 offers details about action 60 partner organizations took to improve lowans' health. The action focused on 39 critical needs identified by Iowans across the state and tracked improvement.

In managing Healthy Iowans, the Bureau of Planning Services monitors progress on the plan and makes updates. In 2016, to answer the question, "Are we making progress?" the plan's 61 objectives were evaluated on whether or not they achieved their target or goal, were moving toward the target, had not moved at all, or were moving away from the target. The results show that 66% had been achieved or were moving toward their target; while 34% were moving away from the target or had not moved at all. The full 2016 Report: Are We Making Progress? is available at http://idph.iowa.gov/healthy-iowans/plan.

Did you know?

Using input from thousands of lowans, the 2016 Healthy lowans state health assessment has identified lowa's top health issues. Check out the infographic at http://idph.iowa.gov/healthy- iowans.

Why is Planning Services important to protecting and improving the health of Iowans?

- Planning Services coordinates local, state, and department assessment and planning activities that improve the function of public health for all Iowans.
- Clear and accurate information helps lowans stay healthy, live with diseases like cancer or arthritis, and be ready for and cope with public health threats or emergencies.
- Planning Services works on improving the public health system through quality and performance improvement, and preparing for national public health accreditation. These activities contribute to increasing our ability to meet the health needs of lowans.
- A highly trained and competent workforce strengthens the public health infrastructure. This infrastructure allows IDPH to prevent epidemics and the spread of disease; protect against environmental hazards; promote healthy behaviors; prevent injuries; and prepare for, respond to, and recover from public health emergencies. In addition, professional development has been shown to improve employee satisfaction, enhance performance and reduce turnover.

Which Iowa Public Health Goals are we working to achieve?

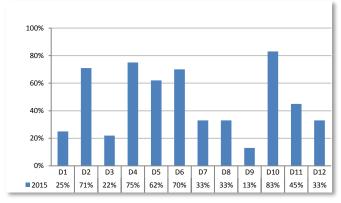
Strengthen the health infrastructure

What do we do?

- Help set health goals, create plans to meet them, and then track the progress toward meeting those goals.
- Provide information to the public about the department's administrative rules.
- Use technology to increase data access and use among general public, researchers, local public health agencies, and health professionals.
- Help IDPH programs set targets and measure their progress in meeting their program goals.
- Coordinate planning for changes in Iowa's public health system.

- Help local agencies and IDPH prepare for national public health accreditation.
- Provide technical assistance to communities in assessing their needs and writing health improvement plans.
- Handle all human resources issues including benefits, payroll, employee relations, and employment policies.
- Offer trainings that improve performance of IDPH employees and enhance their knowledge base.
- Coordinate a state process to make sure that the planning for new or changed institutional health services will be costeffective.

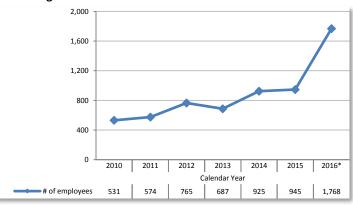
• Percent of national public health standards met—by domain.



Data Source: IDPH PHAB Self-Assessment. "D" = Domain.

How are we doing? IDPH conducted a self-assessment of the department's ability to meet national public health standards (PHAB). Twelve domain teams were established to identify where the department meets the standards. At the time of the survey, IDPH met 48% of the standards. Work plans developed by domain teams are being used to increase the percentage of measures IDPH meets. IDPH plans to apply for national accreditation in 2017.

2 Number of IDPH employees that participate in internal trainings.



Data Source: Program data. Data are available annually. Employees can attend more than one training per vear. * 2016 includes January 2016-November 2016.

How are we doing? In 2016, monthly "Bus Stop" sessions were added to the in-house training calendar to provide information on accreditation requirements, improve communication, and promote quality improvement. Total participation at the Bus Stops (January-November) was 668, or an average of 61 per month. Apart from the Bus Stops, there were over 80 additional training sessions offered. The total participation at those sessions was more than 1,100 (including 6 sessions for leadership development and 17 sessions of new employee orientation.) Through November 2016, total participation for all IDPH in-house trainings was the highest in the department's history.

What can Iowans do to help?

- 1. All Iowans should learn about important public health issues and policies. Visit the IDPH homepage at http://idph.iowa.gov.
- 2. All lowans can participate in assessing health needs and planning improvements. To learn more, go to http://idph.iowa.gov/chnahip and http://idph.iowa.gov/healthy-iowans.
- 3. All lowans can learn more about public health and the wide variety of careers and services in the field. To learn more, go to http://idph.iowa.gov/employment.



Expenditures

General fund and federal indirect funds: K09-0969/0979; K19-1963; K21-2211; 0153-0992/0994/0996/2110/2242

	State Fiscal Year 2015 Actual	State Fiscal Year 2016 Actual	State Fiscal Year 2017 Estimate
State funds	\$355,343	\$365,961	\$400,357
Federal funds	\$1,269,134	\$1,682,225	\$1,757,000
Total funds	\$1,624,478	\$2,048,186	\$2,157,357
FTEs	13.61	15.03	17.20

Note: Funding information is intended to provide an overview of funding related to the program area. It does not include all federal and state requirements and/or restrictions for the use of funds. Contact the program area for more detailed budget information.